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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE ON U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM
TAIWAN

REF: (A) STATE 059727, (B) EA WIRELESS FILE NO. 123,
24 JUNE 76, (C) USIA 19750, (D) STATE 157315

1. MISSION SPOKESMEN (PARTICULARLY TDC PAO) HAVE BEEN HEWING TO TROOP-WITHDRAWAL GUIDANCE PROVIDED IN REF A TO ANSWER FREQUENTLY-ASKED QUESTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT. THAT IS, EVEN AT TIMES WHEN NO TROOP WITHDRAWALS WERE PLANNED, SPOKESMEN HERE HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT "WE EXPECT TO CONTINUE TO PROCESS OF REDUCING OUR TROOP LEVELS ON TAIWAN, CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES ESTABLISHED IN THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE" (REF A).

2. RECENTLY WE HAVE NOTICED DEPARTURES FROM THIS GUIDANCE, I.E., THAT SOME OFFICIAL WASHINGTON SPOKESMEN SEEM TO BE DIVORCING TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, AT
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LEAST IN THE CASE OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF MAAG ADVISORS FROM

THE OFFSHORE ISLANDS (SEE NESSEN AND BROWN COMMENTS IN REF B). ALSO, THE CONTINUING PROCESS OF WITHDRAWAL NOTED IN EARLIER GUIDANCE (REF A) SEEMS TO HAVE GIVEN WAY TO COMMENTS THAT NO FURTHER WITHDRAWALS ARE CURRENTLY PLANNED. A CNA REPORT DATED WASHINGTON JUNE 24 QUOTES NESSEN AS SAYING THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE STATUS OF THE 2,300 AMERICAN SERVICE-MEN REMAINING ON TAIWAN AND "NONE IS CONTEMPLATED." THE TEXT OF A VOA BROADCAST ON MAAG WITHDRAWAL FROM THE OFFSHORE ISLANDS (REF C) SAYS THAT "THERE ARE NO PLANS AT THE MOMENT FOR A FURTHER REDUCTION OF AMERICAN MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM TAIWAN."

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF OFFICIAL UPDATING OF GUIDANCE GIVEN IN REF A.
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